

1. (currently amended) A method for tail threading a web in a paper machine or a similar, in which tail threading is carried out in stages:

- guiding the web ~~is guided to the~~ a broke treatment at a selected dryer of a dryer section,
  - before the said dryer, a cut is formed in cutting the web into a tail portion and a broke web portion, separate a narrow tail from the rest of the web, i.e. the broke web portion having an edge alongside the cut, before the said dryer,
  - guiding the tail ~~is guided~~ from the selected dryer to the following section while the broke web portion is transferred further to the broke treatment,
  - whereby while travelling through the dryer section in a controlled manner, the tail portion is widened to ~~the~~ a full web width and the broke web portion is simultaneously reduced away,
- the method characterized in that ~~at least during the widening tail threading operation, preferably also prior to the widening operation, the edge opposite to the cut of the broke web portion is turned away from the cutting point web in order to form an open draw between the tail portion and the broke web portion.~~

2. (original) A method as set forth in claim 1, characterized in that turning of the said edge is carried out by means of a blow after cutting.

3. (currently amended) A device for tail threading a web in a selected dryer of a dryer section of a ~~the~~ paper machine, the dryer section comprising ~~[[of]]:~~

- a cutter device including a cutter adapted to cut a full-width web into a tail portion and a broke web portion, ~~which cuts at least one tail from the full-width web prior to the selected dryer, the broke web portion including an edge beside the tail portion while the remaining part forms the broke web,~~
- elements for guiding the tail portion forward from the selected dryer,
- elements for removing the broke web portion from the selected dryer, ~~typically to a pulper located underneath,~~

- elements for widening the tail to a full-width web,  
characterized in that

the cutter device includes blow equipment located after the cutter in the web travel direction for turning ~~the broke web edge~~ the edge of broke web away from the ~~cutting point~~ web and for forming an open draw between the tail portion and the broke web portion.

4. (currently amended) A device as set forth in claim 3, characterized in that the blow equipment comprises of a first compressed air nozzle, which is set in an angle of 30 – 70 degrees with respect to the web perpendicular.

5. (original) A device as set forth in claim 4, characterized in that the blow equipment includes a second compressed air nozzle, which has been set at an angle of 55 – 85 degrees in the web travel direction after the first nozzle.

6. (currently amended) A device as set forth in claim 3, characterized in that the selected dryer is provided with a suction box, adjustable in the cross-machine direction, on the side of ~~the~~ an opening gap of the selected dryer.

7. (currently amended) A device as set forth in claim 3, characterized in that the selected dryer is provided with second blow equipment in ~~the~~ an opening gap of the selected dryer for detaching the tail from the dryer to the fabric.

8. (original) A device as set forth in claim 3, characterized in that after the selected dryer there is provided a third set of blow equipment in connection with the web for peeling the broke web off the web, should it start to follow the tail.

9. (currently amended) A device as set forth in claim 3, characterized in that the blow equipment is located in ~~the~~ a straight section of the web.